

REMARKS

The specification is amended to insert the chemical formulas in the text at pages 2-7; to delete the four pages of figures as well as the description thereof at pages 12-13 and the references thereto in Schemes 1-3; and to add an Abstract.

Original Claims 1-20 are cancelled and replaced by new Claims 21-45 written in conventional U.S. claim format and language.

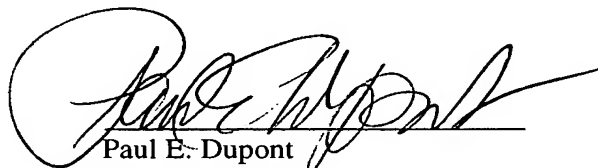
Claim 21 corresponds to original Claim 1 in which the preferred groups recited in the definition of R and R_{1b} are deleted. The preferred groups are recited in new Claim 22. Claim 23 corresponds to original Claim 2 and recites a subgenus of the preferred R groups. Claims 24-26 correspond to original Claims 3-5, respectively. Claim 27 corresponds to original Claims 6-10 written in Markush form. Claims 28-34 correspond to original Claim 12, and depend from Claims 21-27. Claims 36-39 correspond to original Claim 13 depend from Claims 21, 22, 26, and 27. Claims 40-43 correspond to original Claim 14 written in conventional U.S. method-of-use format, and depend from Claims 21, 22, 26, and 27. Claim 44 corresponds to combined original Claims 15 and 16; and Claim 45 corresponds to combined original Claims 17-20.

Claims 21-45 are in the application as amended.

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